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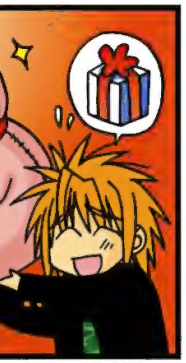

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KANOU!

W...WHAT'S GOING ON? WE JUMPED FROM SUCH A GREAT HEIGHT...AND YET, KANOU IS PERFECTLY— FINE...?

AND THIS WHOLE BUSINESS WITH THE CROW DOESN'T EVEN SEEM TO FAZE HIM...

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UNDER THE BLUE, BLUE ARC OF TIME-PART 5

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K... KANOU? I'M SORRY ...

I GOT YOU MIXED UP IN ALL OF THIS...

DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. MORE IMPORTANTLY ...

WHOO...SH

YOU DON'T INTEND TO DO WHAT HE WANTS, RIGHT?

DON'T WORRY. I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT.

N...NO, I DON'T...I MEAN, I DON'T REALLY GET WHAT'S GOING ON. BUT WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO, KANOU...?!

KANOU ...

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING IT ALL LEADS TO ANYWAY, SO JUST HURRY AND GET TO IT, YOU PUNKS!

PAT PAT PAT

THAT'S ENOUGH OUTTA YOU, OLD WOMAN.

むっ

POUT

HEY, HEY, HEY - WHAT IS IT WITH YOU TWO?

ムッ

GRUMP

YOUNG LOVE IS FINE AND ALL, BUT ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!

OH, FINALLY - THERE YOU ARE.

UGH...

Y... YOU...!

WHAT'S TAKING THAT GUY SO LONG ...?

PANT

HUFF

GASP

ZZSH!

ON TOP OF EVERYTHING, I WAS TREATED LIKE A SUSPICIOUS INTRUDER IN THE LOBBY! WHAT DO YOU INTEND TO DO ABOUT IT?!

WHY SHOULD I CARE?!

CONSTANTLY RUNNING AWAY... YOU'RE PATHETIC, FULCANELLI.

HOW MANY TIMES ARE YOU GOING TO MAKE ME GO BACK AND FORTH...?

SNAP!

NEVER MIND THAT - I'LL SAY IT ONE MORE TIME: ***KIMURA DOESN'T WANT YOU!***

VT HWAP

BESIDES, KIMURA DOESN'T KNOW ANYTH- ...

WHSH

WHOA!

!

WHAT ...?!

YOU ...?!

...IS THAT A WEAPON THAT WORKS ON DEMONS?

I MADE THIS NEUTRAL-IN-PROPERTY ON THE OUTER SIDE.

YOUR WEAPON WON'T WORK ON IT.

MM ...?

BUT THEN IT SHOULD HAVE CUT THROUGH TO THE BODY -

FWSH

YOU'RE NOT A DEMON...? ...NOT FULCANELLI?

I NEVER SAID I WAS...

KCHAK

VWOM

AH...SO THAT'S WHY MY CHAINS DIDN'T -

...NOW DID I?

SO YOU'RE A HUMAN... WITH FULCANELLI'S POWERS...

I DON'T CARE ABOUT ALL THAT!

LISTEN TO ME. IF I WIN, YOU GIVE UP CHASING AFTER KIMURA!

VWOM

YOU'RE A FOOL... GIVING AWAY INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF AND YOUR ENCHANTED WEAPON!

NOW ALL I HAVE TO DO IS COUNTER THOSE CONDITIONS.

THEN IF I WIN...

...I WILL TAKE MANA...AS WELL AS YOUR POWERS.

VWSH

HUH...? YOU MEAN YOU'VE STILL GOT MORE?

NOOO— JUST WAIT A MINUTE—!!!

OHH... WHAT A DUMMY.

ZA

YOU DON'T TELL THE ENEMY WHAT WEAPON YOU'RE HOLDING...! THAT KID DOESN'T KNOW THE FIRST THING ABOUT TACTICS...

YIKES...! H-HOLD ON...!

ARRRRR- GGGHHH!!!

HEY, HARUHIKO - DON'T DAMAGE YOURSELF!

ZA

ZA

DAMN... IT'S NO GOOD WITH MY BACK TO HIM!

SHOULD I FLY...?!

ZA

HEY! HARUHIKO! ARE YOU LISTENING ?!

KANOU ...

NO...IF I DO THAT, HE'LL CERTAINLY GO AFTER KIMURA!

THWACK

ZSSH

KANOU-

K...

!

KRAK

CHK!

WHOM

CLANG

!!

...!

SIZZLE...

ZSH

...!

WHY YOU ...!

はぁ…

WHAT? IT DIDN'T HURT, DID IT?

I WENT EASY ON YOU.

CLANK

WHSH

QUIET!

G...
AAH -

AAAAAHH!!

WHOA!

JUMP

UGH!

WHAM

TAKE THIS -
!!

FLAP

WHA -
...OH, NO!
HARUHIKO!

K...

KANOU -
!!

WHSH

STAY
BACK!

THWAP

WHUMP

S...

STOP!!

ZSSH

KANOU, PLEASE! DON'T BE SO RECKLESS!

KIMURA ...

UH...

WH... WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, KIMURA?!

I JUST HAVE TO DO WHAT HE WANTS, RIGHT?!

DO YOU MEAN TO BECOME AN ENCHANTER?!

DON'T PUT YOURSELF IN DANGER!!

WHIP

I-I DON'T REALLY UNDER-STAND, BUT -

W-WAIT, KIMURA!

I...I CAN'T REALLY SAY I UNDERSTAND COMPLETELY EITHER, BUT...

...I DON'T RECOMMEND BECOMING AN ENCHANTER!

I-IS THAT TRUE, MANA?!

U...UHH... WELL, THEY MAKE AND BUILD THINGS... BUT...

B...BUT WHAT IS AN "ENCHANTER"?

IS IT... SOME-THING BAD?

IF HE THINKS I CAN DO IT, I'LL TRY...I JUST HAVE TO MAKE THAT FOR HIM, RIGHT?

YOU MEAN LIKE THE THING THAT WAS MENTIONED BEFORE - A DEVICE THAT ALLOWS FLIGHT?

MM...?

SNAP!

THE PROBLEM IS...FOR SOME REASON, YOU GET SADDLED WITH A DEMON!

AND LET ME TELL YOU, THEY ARE A PAIN!

OHH-!!

TH...THAT'S BETTER THAN YOU BEING WOUNDED, KANOU...

N...NO, THAT'S NOT THE POINT, KIMURA!

AS IF!

WHAT'S THIS NON-SENSE? I'M A COMPLETE GENT LEMAN.

MM ...?!

IT WOULD BY NO MEANS BE A STRETCH TO CALL THEM ***DEVIANT WEIRDOS!***

THEY HAVE NO MODESTY, STRIP ON A WHIM, AND HAVE NO SENSE OF SHAME OR DECENCY!

THEY'RE SELFISH AND WILLFUL AND VIOLENT!

...JUST WHO IS HE TALKING ABOUT?

I GUESS I'VE NO OTHER CHOICE.

I DIDN'T WANT TO SAY THIS, BUT...

MANA ...

HE IS AN ENCHANTER, TOO.

A...ANYWAY ...IT'S NO OCCUPATION FOR A GIRL.

ENTER INTO A PACT WITH ME. I'LL IMPART SOME OF MY POWER TO YOU SO YOU CAN BECOME AN ENCHANTER.

WITH KANOU ...?!

IF YOU BECOME AN ENCHANTER AS WELL, YOU'LL BE ABLE TO MOVE WITH HIM AMONG OUR WORLDS.

K... KIMURA?!

P...

PACT...? WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO...?

MM...YES - WELL, IT MAY HURT A LITTLE, BUT...

NO WAY!!

WORRY NOT...

I...I'LL TRY TO BE GENTLE...

STOP IMAGINING IT!!

SHIFT

SHIFT

SHIFT

W... WELL ...

I GUESS IF HE WON'T BACK DOWN, I'LL HAVE TO USE FORCE...

I'M FINE WITH THAT.

U...

UMM ...

KILL HIM!! KANOU, WASTE HIM!! DO IT!!

THERE'S NOTHING I CAN SAY AT THIS POINT...

WHOOSH

...

I TALKED TOUGH, BUT...

IT'S WHAT I'VE ALWAYS DONE.

BLAM

I'M RELUCTANT TO STRIKE HIM DIRECTLY WITH MY WEAPON...

DRIP DRIP

...TO BE HONEST, IT'S NOT A GOOD FEELING - TO GO UP AGAINST SOMETHING IN HUMAN FORM, EVEN IF HE IS A DEMON...

...I GUESS I'LL JUST HAVE TO USE THE OTHER FUNCTION I IMPLEMENTED ON THIS THING.

THEN AGAIN, I'M NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO FIGHT HIM WITHOUT A WEAPON, EITHER...

WHISH

HARUHIKO!

I DIDN'T WANT TO USE IT UNTIL I'D TESTED IT, BUT -

!

WHIP

WHOA!

KSHNK

DAMN! I'VE GOT NO CHOICE ...!

COME OUT!

YHSH

SNAP

CRACKLE

POP

!!

UGH ...!!

OOOH ...?!

DUUUN...

WHA - ? HARUHIKO ...

SWOOSH

HOW DID YOU DO THAT?!

WH...

UH...

...AT ...?

HUH...?

W... WAS I NOT SUPPOSED TO...?

I JUST FOLLOWED ONE OF FULCANELLI'S BLUEPRINTS ...

CUZ IF YOU DIDN'T CONSTRUCT THE CONTROLS PROPERLY, ALL YOU DID WAS JUST INCREASE THE NUMBER OF YOUR ENEMIES!

WELL, I MEAN...

YOU COULDN'T READ THE WRITING, RIGHT? I HOPE YOU DIDN'T JUST SLAP IT TOGETHER!

WHAT ?!

UH...YOU KNOW...THAT STONE - WHAT WAS IT CALLED... "PETRIFACTION"?!

...I THINK.

Y...YOU REALLY WENT AHEAD AND MADE AN ENCHANTED TOOL OF SUMMONING?!

あ YIKES! あ あ

I DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD BE SO HUGE!

...
...
...

DOOOOM

I IGNORED THEM...

SINCE I COULDN'T READ THEM...

UH...NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT...THERE SEEMED TO BE A LOT OF WRITING THAT LOOKED LIKE WARNINGS...

BUT, UH! I DIDN'T *JUST* SLAP IT TOGETHER!

DON'T WORRY! I'VE GOT IT ALL PLANNED!

I'VE GOT IT UNDER CONTROL! THIS IS PART OF MY *TACTIC!*

ARE YOU SURE?!

A...ANYWAY, AS LONG AS THIS THING LISTENS TO ME -

GRRR ...

H -

HEEEY, CAN YOU HEAR ME?!

OH...? GOOD, YOU UNDER-STAND.

FLAP...

IS HE REALLY OKAY ...?

YOU!

WH... WHAT ?!

YOU COWARD! SENDING ANOTHER TO DO YOUR WORK?!

SHUT UP! I OPTED FOR THIS AFTER CONSIDERING THE SITUATION!

SNAP!

CAPTURE THAT GUY IN BLACK!

JUMP!

STARE

FLAP

FLAP

THIS WAY, WE CAN SETTLE EVERYTHING WITHOUT ANY...

FLAP

FLAP

FLAP

UMM... THE GUY YOU WANT IS OVER THERE...

H...HUH?

WWOOSH

ROAAAR!!!

NOT GOOD ...!!

UH-!

BLAM

RRRR-!

AAAAHHHH!

SSSHHH...

HARUHIKO, IT'S RUNNING *AMUCK!*

HACK

KOFF

WHAT THE...! THAT WAS DANGER-OUS!

KOFF

GRR ...

FLAP

SSSHHH...

ARE YOU OKAY, EUKANARIA ?!

ZSSSHH

KOFF

HARU- ...

I'LL TRY TO WEAKEN IT, SO RUN AND HIDE!

KOFF

I'M SORRY!

I GUESS I LACK CONTROL OVER IT AFTER ALL!

THUD

ZSH

OOF

G...!

MM...?!

WHAT IS HE DOING ...?!

HEY, YOU!

I CAN UNDERSTAND YOU'RE EXCITED TO BE FREE, BUT...

...IF YOU DON'T BEHAVE, I'LL SMACK YOU!

WHSH

AAAH!

GRRR..!

D'OH V !!!

NOT ME...!

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO GO AFTER ...!

CLAMP!

...THE GUY IN BLACK !!

...HACK

GRR ...

SHAKK

M...

BLAM

AUUGHH?!

GRAWR

ZA

WHAT ?!

WAIT!

GET HIM!

WAIT - MY WEAPON ...!

STAY JUST LIKE THAT.

KCHAK

OKAY, GOOD BOY -

VWOOM...

SNAP

ARGH!

VWOM

GRR?

W... WAIT -

STOP!

NOPE.

SPEND SOME TIME INSIDE WITH THAT THING FOR A BIT AND THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU'VE DONE.

N... NO - !

M...

MANA ...!

WHSH

SWAP!

I'VE GOT TO FIX THE CONTROL MECHANISM, AND I THINK I CAN IMPROVE ITS USE SOMEHOW, TOO...

I'D BETTER ADJUST THIS A LITTLE MORE...

K...

HUP!

THINK

WHUMP!

K... KIMURA.

YIKES, YOU SCARED ME

TH... THA... THANK YOU...

WHA!

KANOU!

BUT I'M GLAD EVERYTHING TURNED OUT ALRIGHT. TO TELL YOU THE TRUTH, I WAS A LITTLE NERVOUS...

IT'S JUST A SCRATCH ...

IT WAS NOTHING, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT.

KANOU ...

BUT YOU'RE HURT!

...
...

I... KINDA FEEL SORRY FOR HIM...

OH...SO HE'S INSIDE THERE?

I'LL HOLD ON TO THAT CROW DUDE FOR NOW.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ANYMORE.

WHOA ?!

SLAM!

YOU! YOU BASTARD! LET ME OUT OF HERE!

RATTLE

DAMN...IT'S CRAMPED IN HERE! YOU DIDN'T CONSIDER THE DEMON-STONE'S CAPACITY BEFORE YOU PUT ME IN, DID YOU?!

RATTLE

YIKES !

HE JUST WANTED TO FLY...I WONDER IF I DID HIM WRONG...

UHH...

W...WELL, I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THAT...

BAM

BAM

Q...QUIET! IF I RELEASE YOU, YOU'LL JUST GO AFTER KIMURA AGAIN!!

LET ME OUT!

LET ME OUT!

MA-NAAAAA-!!

BAM

...
...
...

WHAT ARE YOU CLAMMING UP FOR?

IF YOU WANT ME TO LET YOU OUT, PROMISE YOU'LL GIVE UP ABOUT KIMURA.

KANOU ...

I CAN'T LET YOU OUT JUST YET. WAIT AWHILE.

OKAY, OKAY - I HEARD YOU! SHUT UP OR YOU'LL BREAK THIS THING!

GEEZ!

WHAP WHAP

JUST LET ME OUT!!

I...I'M SUFFO-CATING - MANA! MA-NAAAAA - !!

AAAHHH

...

...

...

DEAR SIR FULCANELLI -

STOMP

W -

WAIT, EUKANARIA!

STOMP STOMP STOMP

EUKANARIA - MA'AM!

WAIT UP!

TROMP TROMP TROMP TROMP

I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS FOR YOU THAN I CAN COUNT, BUT -

THERE'S ONE THING I'M JUST DYING TO KNOW -

TURN

WHAT ARE YOU SO MAD ABOUT?

HEY, WAIT A -

VWOM

Y...

YES YOU ARE!

JOLT

EEP...

I'M NOT MAD.

GWAH!

BONK!

WHATCHA DOIN'?

JUST WHAT WAS IT ABOUT EUKANARIA THAT YOU FELL IN LOVE WITH?

...
...

WELCOME BACK, HARUHIKO.

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SCRE#!

O...

OW OW OW!

QUIET.

HOW SHOULD I KNOW? SHE JUST HAD A HISSY FIT ALL OF A SUDDEN!

THE LADY'S IN A TERRIBLE MOOD.

WHAT HAPPENED ?

IT'S NOT A QUESTION OF MY HEALING...

THIS IS PARACELSUS'S MEDICINE, SO YOU'LL BE HEALED IN NO TIME.

I'LL APOLOGIZE IF IT WAS MY FAULT...

S...SO JUST TELL ME WHAT I DID WRONG...

OOOOHHH! THAT PISSES ME OFF EVEN MORE!!

STAGGER...

NO...

OOH, HE'S GOT ENDURANCE.

YOWCH!

SCREECH

WHO'S HAVING A HISSY FIT?! BESIDES, IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT!

WONK!

YE-YOW

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING?! SUMMONING DEMONS, MAKING ENCHANTED TOOLS -

ALL WITHOUT TELLING *ME!*

YOU WOULDN'T EVEN TELL ME WHAT WAS GOING ON WHEN I ASKED!

AND THAT'S NOT ALL - !!

SHAKE

SHAKE

SHAKE

GAH!

W...WHAT, THERE'S MORE?!

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THE RECEPTACLE FOR FULCANELLI! DO YOU UNDERSTAND?!

THEN YOU GO OFF AND GET YOURSELF INJURED!

Y...

YOU - !

MRRGH

WHY DID YOU SAVE HER AND LEAVE ME ON MY OWN?!

THAT GIRL - THE ONE THAT WAS WITH YOU!

HUH?!

WHAT ...?

D...

DID I...?

...
...

OHHHH, WELL THAT'S COMPLETELY YOUR FAULT, HARUHIKO -
...

W... THEN -

I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT, BUT...

...KIMURA'S JUST A NORMAL HUMAN GIRL. I HAD TO PROTECT HER, RIGHT?!

WE, RE SORRYYY!!

YOU MALE TEENAGERS, YOU!!

SPIN!!

WHAM

THWAP

THIS IS KINDA NOS-TALGIC.

BFFT!

BAKAHIKO-!!

BLAP!

THAT'S JUST WHAT YOU THINK!!

YOU'RE STRONG AND CAN TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF... I THOUGHT YOU'D BE OKAY ON YOUR OWN.

MRRRRR-GHHH...

わぁぁん WAAAAH!

N...NOW, NOW, MISS...

YOU CALM DOWN, TOO, HARUHIKO. OK?

I AM CALM...

FROM NOW ON, JUST DO EVERY-THING ON YOUR OWN!

SNIP!

FORGET IT!

WOOM

OH MAN ...

WOW, SHE'S PRETTY ANGRY...

OHHH...

WHOOM

EUKA-NARIA ...

WHA-... HEY, WAIT!

NO...

I THINK IT'S JUST AS SHE SAID...SHE'S PRETTY STRAIGHT-FORWARD THAT WAY. SHE DIDN'T LIKE BEING LEFT OUT.

SO... WHAT?

IS SHE JEALOUS BECAUSE YOU AND KIMURA ARE FRIENDLY?

ANOTHER WEIRDO...

...

...

HMMM ...

STEP ON ME ! STEP ON ME SOME MORE, LITTLE LADY!

QUIVER

KNIFE

KNIFE

I KNEW SHE WAS LIKE THAT, BUT...JEEZ, WHAT A SPOILED LITTLE BABY!

SLUMP

OH...I THINK I'M THE TYPE THAT WOULD LOVE A WOMAN LIKE HER TO ACT SPOILED TOWARDS ME...

I'M GONNA TAKE A BATH. LATER!

WELL, DON'T MAKE WOMEN TOO MAD.

THEY'RE SCARY - AND ALL THAT BEAUTY WILL GO TO WASTE!

MOTOKI ...

HUSH...

BUT WHAT SHOULD I DO...?

I NEEDED TO GET TO THE WORKSHOP...

HMM...

SCRATCH SCRATCH

...

...

→SIGH←

"GO TO WASTE," HUH?

LET'S SEE...

BESIDES MODIFYING THAT WEAPON...

TAP TAP

...I'LL HAVE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THAT CROW GUY...

OH WELL...

I GUESS I CAN SKETCH OUT CONSTRUC-TION PLANS HERE.

I DON'T KNOW HOW I SHOULD REACT...

I'VE NEVER GOTTEN INTO A FIGHT WITH A WOMAN BEFORE...

CREAK...

THAT CROW GUY...

HE SAID HE WANTED TO MAKE KIMURA AN ENCHANTER ...

...BUT CAN JUST ANYONE BECOME AN ENCHANTER, THEN?

...AND ADOLPH SAID HE BECAME AN ENCHANTER WHEN LAVOIX SHOWED UP...

FULCANELLI IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN FORMERLY A HUMAN...

...WITH HER IN THAT MOOD - ...

ROMARRR...

...

...

I WANTED TO ASK EUKANARIA, BUT...

AURA OF WRATH

I REALLY WONDER WHAT FULCANELLI SAW IN EUKANARIA.

I SUPPOSE IT'S A MATTER OF PERSONAL TASTE...AFTER ALL, SHE DOES RESEMBLE YUKA, SO SHE'S GOT GOOD LOOKS...

-SIGH-

SCRIBBLE SCRIBBLE

SHEESH... WHAT A LITTLE BABY...

HA!

WAIT...MAYBE EUKANARIA FORCED HIM INTO BECOMING AN ENCHANTER, LIKE THAT CROW DUDE IS TRYING TO DO...?!

SCARY...

HEY -

YIKES!

JUMP!

LET ME OUT OF HERE ALREADY! HOW LONG ARE YOU GOING TO FORGET ABOUT ME IN HERE?

RATTLE

CRACKLE

HEY, YOU!

RATTLE

CAUSING SO MUCH TROUBLE ...

BESIDES, THIS WOULD ALL BE OVER IF YOU JUST PROMISED TO GIVE UP ABOUT KIMURA!

HMPH... THAT'S NONE OF YOUR CONCERN.

I HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN! JUST WAIT.

PIPE DOWN

SLAP

I'M THINKING ABOUT IT RIGHT NOW.

MMGH ...

SCRIBBLE SCRIBBLE

SO, WHY ARE YOU SO HUNG UP ON KIMURA?

KIMURA WAS TELLING ME SHE HIT YOU WITH HER BICYCLE...

...SO I COULD UNDER-STAND IF YOU HATED HER, BUT...

DOES HE STILL NOT GET THAT HE'S DISLIKED ...?

UGH...

AND YOU'RE THE ONE WHO INTER-FERED.

OH...I WANT TO SEE MANA...

...

YET ANOTHER WEIRDO...

...AND...THE TOUGH WAY SHE SCOLDS DESPITE HER INFANTILE FRAME...IT... IT'S HEAVENLY!

THAT ANGLE... THAT SLICE, THAT SPEED...

...HUH?

...IT WAS A GOOD HIT.

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? I REALLY DO REQUIRE AN ENCHANTER.

I KNEW IT...SO IT WASN'T THE ENCHANTED DEVICE YOU WERE REALLY AFTER. YOU JUST WANTED KIMURA.

I AM FOND OF MANA - WHY SHOULDN'T I DESIRE TO HAVE HER AS MY ENCHANTER?

THE DEMON USES THE ENCHANTER TO CONSTRUCT ENCHANTED TOOLS AND WEAPONS TO MAKE UP FOR THE POWER HE HAS LOST...IN OTHER WORDS, THE "ENCHANTER" HIMSELF IS A DEMON'S TOOL.

IN THE FIRST PLACE, AN ENCHANTER IS CREATED WHEN A DEMON SACRIFICES SOME OF HIS OWN POWER TO IMPART.

...
...

WELL, THERE ARE A LOT OF DIFFERENT TYPES OF ENCHANTERS THESE DAYS...

THERE ARE SOME WHO REFUSE TO BE SUBORDINATE, EVEN THOUGH THEY'VE MADE A PACT WITH A DEMON.

HUH ...?!

WHAT?! I WAS NEVER TOLD ANYTHING LIKE THAT!

MM?

WANNABE ...?!

SO WHAT ABOUT YOU, FULCANELLI-WANNABE?

THEN STOP DOMINATING MANA'S SPIRIT.

YOU'VE ALREADY MADE A PACT WITH THAT EUKANARIA, HAVEN'T YOU?

TAP

TAP

TAP

-HUFF-

-HUFF-

WHAT?!

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! I'M DOING NO SUCH -

KANOU SAID HE WAS ALL RIGHT, BUT...

...THOSE WOUNDS! HE SHOULDN'T LEAVE THOSE UNTREATED.

OH...

KANOU'S ROOM... IT'S THIS ONE.

-HUFF-

KANOU -

BESIDES ...

EUKANARIA ONLY HANGS AROUND WITH ME - NOTHING ELSE.

TAP

MM ...?

WELL...I SUPPOSE SO.

I DON'T REALLY UNDER-STAND THAT PART TOO WELL.

THEN DO YOU MEAN IT'S FULCANELLI THAT YOU'VE MADE A CONTRACT WITH?

IF YOU DON'T EVEN LIKE MANA, WHY DO YOU INTERFERE?

YOU FOUGHT ME FOR HER, EVEN THOUGH YOU MAY HAVE DIED?

WHY DO YOU ALWAYS END UP GOING THERE...?

SO THERE'S NOTHING BETWEEN YOU AND ELIKANARIA ...

DOES THAT MEAN YOU'RE AFTER MANA AS WELL?!

MM!

"WHY?" ...

HMM...

WHY DO YOU DO IT?

WHY NOT JUST ABANDON HER?

SHE'S WILLFUL AND HARD TO HANDLE, BUT SHE DOESN'T SEEM EVIL...

JUST WHAT KIND OF DELINQUENT DEMON WAS ELIKANARIA IN THE PAST...?

WHAT A REPUTATION...

WHAT A FOOL YOU ARE...

...STAYING TOGETHER WITH THAT ELIKANARIA EVEN THOUGH THERE'S NO BENEFIT TO YOU...

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

AND SHE DOES RESEMBLE ...

THE PERSON I HAVE FEELINGS FOR...

THAT PERSON DOESN'T FEEL ANYTHING FOR ME, THOUGH.

...
...

YOU ARE A FOOL, AREN'T YOU?

SHUT UP! QUIT CALLING ME THAT OVER AND OVER.

OR I'LL LEAVE YOU IN THERE FOREVER.

CREAK...!

REALLY? HEY, SO TELL ME - WHAT WERE THEY LIKE?

MM...?

WHAT GOOD WOULD IT DO YOU TO KNOW?

COME TO THINK OF IT -

YOU KNOW BOTH FULCANELLI AND ELIKANARIA, DON'T YOU?

MM... THEY'RE FAMOUS, THOSE TWO.

OH... WELL...

WHEN YOU PUT IT THAT WAY...

BESIDES, YOU'RE POWERFUL ENOUGH THAT YOU CAN EVEN FLY WITHOUT THE HELP OF AN ENCHANTED ITEM, AREN'T YOU?

THEN SCAN THAT WOMAN'S MEMORY AND SEE FOR YOURSELF.

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COMING ...

STEP タン

UGH ...

WHO IS IT, AT A TIME LIKE THIS...?

CREAK ギィ

KNOCK KNOCK

WH... WHAT...? CAN I REALLY -

IT'S CALLED "TRACING" - IT'S A BASIC ABILITY OF DEMONS.

KCHAK カチャ

!

HUH...? KIMURA?

IT'S OKAY ...

UM... YOU WERE HURT EARLIER - HOW ARE YOU?

I BROUGHT A FIRST-AID KIT...

RATTLE ガタガタ

M -

MANAAAA -!

OH - UH... DON'T MIND THAT...I'M IN THE MIDDLE OF DOING SOMETHING ABOUT HIM.

SPROING!

O...OH - OHHH, THAT!

HAH!

UH...UM - IT...IT HEALED... ALREADY... I THINK?

...OH.

HUH...?

HM?

WAIT... WEREN'T YOU... WOUNDED BEFORE...?

OH...I SEE...

HUH?

...

...

SO YOU CAN EVEN DO SOMETHING LIKE THAT, TOO...

HUG

UM... KANOU?

WHAT ...?

I WANT TO TRY TALKING TO HIM PROPERLY.

COULD YOU LET THAT CROW OUT?

LET'S SEE...IF YOU COULD GIVE ME JUST A LITTLE MORE TIME, I CAN RENDER HIM HARMLESS FOR YOU.

...
...
UM...

BUT... UM... IT MIGHT BE DANGER-OUS.

I HAVEN'T DEVISED ANY CONTROL SYSTEM YET, SO RIGHT NOW HE'LL BE RELEASED JUST AS HE WAS...

KANOU...YOU NEVER SAY, "NO," OR "I CAN'T," DO YOU?

YOU ALWAYS TAKE CARE OF THINGS, NO MATTER HOW DIFFICULT... YOU'RE ALWAYS SO KIND...

...AND THAT'S WHAT'S SO NICE ABOUT YOU.

...
...

WELL —

THEN I LEAVE IT UP TO YOU.

17:45

BOW

...
...

OH —

R... RIGHT.

K... KIMURA... SHE'S KINDA CUTE...

RUB

=HIC=

OKAY! THIS SHOULD DO IT...

NOW ALL I HAVE TO DO IS LOOK AT SOME OF FULCANELLI'S REFERENCE NOTES, AND -

AHI

TOTALLY UNCEN-SORED! CUZ IT'S HAWAII!!

HARUHIKO! LOOK! PORNO!

HUFF HUFF

G...!

HALT

OWW

JUST WAIT THERE, CROW. I'LL LET YOU OUT SOON.

CREAK...

M...!

.....

M...MISS ELIKANARIA -

FLINCH ビク

FLINCH ビク

UMM...WILL YOU LET ME INTO THE WORKSHOP... PLEASE?

GRIP ぐっ

NO, NO!

WHOAA

GREAT...

I'VE GOT THINGS TO DO!

VWOM ブォン

カシ..!

OH...?

HUH...SO IT WAS OPEN ALL THIS TIME.

しーん

URK ...

IS SHE STILL MAD...?

WHERE'D SHE GO ...?

CLUNK

NN...

HUH?

!

WHOM

HUSH...

HM...? HEY...

ELIKANARIA?

ZZ
ZZ
OH -
EUKANARIA
...
I.WAIT
COME TO THINK OF IT, I WONDER WHAT THIS IS...
IS IT BECAUSE OF THIS THING?
BUT...
-SIGH-
WHAT'S SHE DOING SLEEPING HERE?
...
...
HEY, HEY
THERE'S A PERFECTLY GOOD SOFA OVER THERE...
TALK ABOUT GUILELESS...

SHE'S SO CUTE WHEN SHE'S SLEEPING...

Z...

IF SHE WERE ALWAYS LIKE THIS, THEN I COULD UNDERSTAND WHY FULCANELLI -

THEN SCAN THAT WOMAN'S MEMORY AND SEE FOR YOURSELF.

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YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE THE RECEPTACLE FOR FULCANELLI!

DO YOU UNDER-STAND?!

NO MATTER HOW MUCH ELIKANARIA MAY LOVE FULCANELLI, WHY DOES SHE CONSTANTLY COMPARE ME WITH HIM AND SAY I'M NOT NEEDED?

WHY DO I HAVE TO BE TALKED TO LIKE THAT ANYWAY?

I DON'T EVEN KNOW

THE PERSON I'M BEING COMPARED TO...

OR THE REASON WHY SHE'S SO ADAMANT ABOUT HIM.

LET'S SEE - WHEN SHE WAS LOOK-ING INSIDE MY MIND...

SHE PLACED HER HAND ON MY HEAD...

I DON'T REALLY FEEL RIGHT ABOUT THIS...

BUT I JUST CAN'T ACCEPT BEING YELLED AT ANY LONGER WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING THE SITUATION...

WELL, I GUESS NOT EXACTLY A "GIRL," CONSIDERING HER AGE...

SHE IS A GIRL, AFTER ALL...

JUST DO IT!

THWAP!

OHHH!

SNORE...

G...

ZZZ

HM?

HUH ...?

.....UGH.

PAT

PAT

HUH ...?

NOTHING'S HAPPENING ...

UH...MAYBE THERE'S MORE TO IT THAN JUST TOUCHING THE HEAD?

SLIP

MMM...

JUMP!

U

!!!

GASP

HUFF

HUFF

ZZZ...

TH... THAT WAS CLOSE ...

TOO CLOSE ...

IF I WAKE HER UP NOW LIKE THIS... SHE'LL KILL ME...

I ONLY NEED TO SEE A LITTLE...

SO PLEASE ...

TINGLE...

SNEAK...

GENTLY ...

OH -

I SEE SOME-THING - IT'S THE WORK-SHOP.

OH...? IT'S FULCANELLI!

TAP...

A DREAM... OF THE PAST?

WHAT'S THIS? A MEMORY... A DREAM?

EUKANARIA -

THIS...

WHAT'S WRONG?

EUKANARIA.

...

...

...

HM? ARE YOU CRYING?

...
...
...

PROMISE YOU WON'T GET MAD?

WHAT'S WRONG?

YOU WOULDN'T CRY WITHOUT A REASON.

IT'S NOTHING ...

RUB

I DIDN'T BREAK ANYTHING!

I WOULDN'T DO THAT!

MRGH!

DID YOU BREAK SOMETHING IN THE WORKSHOP AGAIN?

I TOLD YOU - I WON'T GET MAD AT YOU FOR SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

WISP...

THEN WHAT IS IT?

COME ON - DON'T CRY ANYMORE.

OHH...

MY WINGS...

THEY WON'T COME OUT ANYMORE...

WHAT?

I CAN'T FLY ANYMORE ...

YOU TRANSFERRED SOME MORE OF YOUR POWER TO ME AGAIN, DIDN'T YOU?!

WHAP

WAAHHH! I KNEW YOU'D GET MAD - !!

I TOLD YOU TO STOP THAT!

HA...

...

...

-SIGH-

I SWEAR ...

EUKANARIA ...

YOUR POWER IS YOUR OWN - I DON'T NEED ANY MORE THAN THIS.

I BECAME A DEMON MYSELF PRECISELY BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT TO SEE YOU GRADUALLY TURN INTO A HUMAN BECAUSE OF ME.

LISTEN TO ME, ELIKANARIA - YOU'VE GOT TO STOP THIS.

WAIT A MOMENT.

...I GUESS THERE'S NO OTHER WAY.

CREAK...

TAP...

OH - WAIT, FULCANELLI - WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

SO WHAT'S THE POINT OF YOU GROWING WEAKER AGAIN BY GIVING ME MORE OF YOUR POWER?

YOU ARE MY MASTER - AND AS SUCH, I AM ONLY ABLE TO ABSORB POWER FROM YOU. YOU DID IT KNOWING I CAN'T GIVE YOU THAT POWER BACK, DIDN'T YOU?

OHH...

LET'S SEE...

CLAK

NO NO NO - YOU'RE MAD AT ME, AREN'T YOU?!

I'M NOT MAD. I'M JUST TELLING YOU TO STOP.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

THERE'S ONE DEMON-STONE LEFT FOR MAKING AN ENCHANTED TOOL...

?

THUNK

COME HERE, ELIKANARIA.

I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU DID IT...

YOU MUST HAVE KNOWN YOU WOULD NO LONGER BE ABLE TO FLY IF YOU LOST ANY MORE OF YOUR POWER...

DIDN'T YOU?

MM... BUT... I...

I DON'T HAVE ANYTHING ELSE ANYMORE.

IT'S THE ONLY THING LEFT OF MINE I CAN GIVE YOU...

...
...
...

AND THAT'S WHAT YOU WERE CRYING ABOUT?

THEN WHY NOT DRAIN SOME POWER BACK FROM ME? THAT WOULD BE QUICKER...

I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT!

I WAS JUST THINKING ...

...THAT I WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO FLY ANYWHERE WITH YOU ANYMORE...

THAT'S ALL...

...

...

CLICK

NEVER THINKING OF THE CONSE-QUENCES, AS ALWAYS... WHAT ARE YOU, A SIMPLETON?

URK...

ALL I WANT IS FOR YOU TO BE NEAR ME -

WITHOUT ANY FEELINGS OF OBLIGATION.

I DON'T WANT YOU TO FEEL LIKE YOU NEED TO BE "USEFUL" TO ME SOMEHOW ...

JOLT

WHAT... T...TURN MY BACK?!

TURN AROUND.

OHH...

WHAT? IT'S NOT A BIG DEAL, IS IT?

...BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I JUST WANT A PRETTY DOLL FOR ARM-CANDY, EITHER.

DON'T MOVE.

TOUCH

JUMP!

AHN!

Y...YOU WON'T SPANK ME...?

OH, BUT THAT MIGHT BE FUN, TOO...

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

I TOLD YOU, I'M NOT ANGRY.

YOU REALLY WANT ME TO SPANK YOU?

DON'T CRY OUT LIKE THAT.

BUT IT'S COLD...AND FEELS FUNNY...

WHOSH!

TRY PUTTING OUT YOUR WINGS.

YIPE?!

FLAP

GHEE!

OH!

FLAP

FLAP

OH...

DOES IT FEEL UNNATURAL? CAN YOU RETRACT THEM?

FLAP

W...WOW! WHAT IS THIS...? THE PETRI-FACTION STONE?

VWOM

IT FLEW AWAY!

FLAP

FLAP

REGULATING CONTROL AND THE DEGREE OF POWER ALLOTED... IT'S ALWAYS DIFFICULT.

I GUESS I SHOULD DRAIN ITS POWER A LITTLE MORE.

BANG

VWOM

VWOM

CLANK!

WEE

FULCA-
NELLI
...

DON'T WORRY. I'LL FIX IT SO YOU'LL BE ABLE TO USE IT RIGHT AWAY.

OH -

AFTER I'VE MADE THE ADJUSTMENTS, I'D BETTER GO TO YAMATO'S PLACE AND ASK FOR SOME ENGRAVING.

IT LOOKS TOO PLAIN AND UGLY THE WAY IT IS.

YOU'LL HAVE TO BE PATIENT FOR A LITTLE WHILE UNTIL THEN.

...WILL I BE ABLE TO FLY WITH YOU AGAIN?

OF COURSE.

I PREFER THE YOU WHO'S ALWAYS FLITTING HERE AND THERE.

IT SUITS YOU MOST OF ALL ---

...
...
...

I LOVE YOU, FULCANELLI.

I LOVE YOU...

NEVER LEAVE ME...

...DON'T CRY ANY-MORE.

WAIT UNTIL THIS IS DONE.

OKAY ...

BUT...I GUESS WE'RE OUT OF DEMON-STONES NOW...

IT CAN'T BE HELPED...I'LL GO TO THE CRYSTAL CAVES AGAIN NEXT TIME IT SHOWS UP.

I'LL EVENTUALLY NEED SOME-THING THAT DOESN'T RELY ON POWER FROM A DEMON-STONE...

SOME ALTERNATIVE SOURCE OF ENERGY...

LIKE A BATTERY? BUT THOSE PROVIDE HARDLY ANY POWER.

THERE'S CARBON... AND MERCURY... BUT THOSE AREN'T QUITE GOOD ENOUGH...

NOT ONLY ARE THEY LACKING IN POWER, BUT THEY DON'T LAST VERY LONG EITHER.

THE NEXT TIME THE CRYSTAL CAVES APPEAR, CAN I COME ALONG WITH YOU? IF I HAVE A WEAPON, I CAN - ...

BOO

THERE YOU GO AGAIN!

I'M NOT THAT WEAK, YOU KNOW! I CAN STILL MIX IT UP WITH THE BEST OF THEM OUT THERE!

I KNOW THAT.

HM?

HEY!

DON'T TOUCH THAT.

TUG

HM?

BUT YOU DON'T HAVE TO DO THINGS LIKE THAT ANYMORE.

MM -

YOU DON'T HAVE TO FIGHT. BECAUSE YOU'VE GOT ME.

NN...

HM?

WHAT IS IT? I'M NOT GONNA BUILD IT FOR YOU IF YOU INTERFERE -

HEEEY, YOU CAN WORK ON THAT LATER -

LET'S GO IN THE OTHER ROOM -

WHIP!

AAAA

...IDIOT COUPLE ?!!

W...

WHAT AN...

NNN -

...

...!

-GASP-

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-HUFF-

-HUFF-

-HUFF-

"JUST MAKE HER LOVE YOU MORE THAN THE OTHER GUY."

"SO DON'T TALK -"

I DID, THINK ABOUT IT...AT LEAST A LITTLE BIT.

...
...
...

EVEN IF IT MIGHT BE IMPOSSIBLE...

EVEN IF IT DIDN'T RESOLVE ANYTHING...EVEN IF ONLY FOR A LITTLE WHILE...

OH, MAN...

THAT WOULD BE JUST TOO DIFFICULT...

...AT LEAST UNTIL I LEARNED SOMETHING, I THOUGHT I MIGHT BE ABLE TO TAKE HIS PLACE FOR HER...

THAT'S WHAT I'D BEEN THINKING ...

THAT EXPRES-SION...

I'VE NEVER SEEN EUKANARIA LOOK LIKE THAT...

CHOMP

SHE BIT ME, SHE BIT ME — MOTHER, SHE TRIED TO EAT ME!

WAKE...

WOULD SOMEONE NORMALLY BITE IN A SITUATION LIKE THIS?!

WHAT WERE YOU DOING?

TREMBLE

TREMBLE

OWWW?!

キャー!

EEEEEEK!

UGH... UM...NO, I -

YOU DID, DIDN'T YOU? WHERE DID YOU SEE UP TO?

U...UH - I WAS JUST... UM...

...YOU WEREN'T LOOKING INSIDE MY HEAD, WERE YOU?

I TOLD YOU BEFORE, DIDN'T I?

I DON'T LIKE THE SELF I WAS BEFORE I MET FULCANELLI... DID YOU SEE THAT?

SHAKE SHAKE

EEK ...?!

YIPE...

->SIGH<-

I'M SORRY! I SAW YOUR DREAM...THE ONE YOU WERE JUST HAVING...

NONONO, I DIDN'T SEE THAT - I KNOW NOTHING!

...THAT I'M STILL ANGRY, RIGHT?

URGH!

WELL... UH - N...NO ONE...

I JUST WONDERED WHAT FULCANELLI WAS LIKE, AND...

YOU KNOW...

THIS JUST ISN'T LIKE YOU...

WHO PUT YOU UP TO IT?

IT'S JUST... PROTECTING BOTH YOU AND KIMURA AT ONCE...

I'M STILL NOT STRONG ENOUGH FOR THAT...I'M SORRY.

I'M STRETCHED TO THE LIMIT AS IT IS, YOU KNOW? SO... FORGIVE ME?

S... SORRY ...

I REALLY DIDN'T MEAN TO IGNORE YOU.

YOU'RE YOU, HARUHIKO... NOT FULCANELLI.

I KNOW THAT...AND YET, I STILL FELT AS IF I WAS BEING IGNORED BY FULCANELLI, AND...

-SIGH-

FORGET IT.

AFTER ALL, IN ORDER TO OBTAIN YOUR BODY, I STILL HAVE TO GET YOU TO DO THE NASTY WITH SOMEBODY!

EEP...

MRRGH!

I GUESS I NEED MORE TRAINING AS WELL!

I'M SORRY, TOO.

...

SO...

WHAT DID YOU COME TO THE WORKSHOP FOR?

ARE WE THE NO-GOOD DUO!?

...
...
...

SHE'S NO GOOD...

I'M NO GOOD EITHER, BUT.

A...ALL RIGHT...

?

CLENCH!

GU

SYOU'VE GOT TO SHAPE UP, TOO! OKAY, HARUHIKO?!

THAT'S RIGHT - I CAME HERE TO MAKE SOMETHING TO CONTROL THAT CROW GUY.

OH, I FORGOT!

DID YOU COME HERE JUST TO LOOK IN MY HEAD?

WHSH

IT'S A LONG STORY...

LEMME USE THE WORK-SHOP, OKAY?

TAP

THE CROW GUY...YOU MEAN THAT GUY DRESSED IN BLACK? YOU'RE LETTING HIM OUT?

WHAT?

HM?

OH, THAT'S RIGHT... ELIKA-NARIA?

WHY WERE YOU SLEEPING THERE? IS THAT SOMETHING SPECIAL?

SHOP

BE MY GUEST.

AS FOR ME, MAYBE I'LL TAKE ANOTHER NAP...

THIS IS A MUSIC BOX.

HUH?

OH...

THIS?

...YOU'VE GOT MEMORIES ATTACHED TO IT?

THAT'S WHY I LIKE IT...IT DOESN'T PLAY ANYMORE, BUT...

BIG, ISN'T IT? FULCANELLI MADE IT.

IF IT'S JUST A MUSIC BOX, MAYBE I CAN FIND WHAT'S WRONG IF I LOOK INSIDE...

...WANT ME TO FIX IT FOR YOU?

NO, IT'S OKAY.

...THIS IS ALRIGHT THE WAY IT IS.

EVEN IF I CAN'T LISTEN TO IT...

...IT'S KIND OF LIKE A PROTECTIVE TALISMAN.

...

...

...

...YOU COULD SAY THAT.

I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT IT SOMEDAY... IF I FEEL LIKE IT.

COME TO THINK OF IT, YUKA...

A TALISMAN, HUH...?

I WONDER WHAT SHE'S DOING...? I'VE GOT TO GIVE BACK HER MD PLAYER...

I STAYED UP ALL NIGHT AGAIN...WHAT A HARD WORKER I AM.

SLURP

AHH...

WHAT A NICE MORNING IT IS...

CHIRP...

WHAT? BREAK-FAST OUT HERE, IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?

CHIRP

CHIRP

GEE, YOU'VE GOT A LOT TO WORRY ABOUT — HAVING TO BE SO TACTFUL AND ALL, HUH?

GIMME THIS, OKAY?

SLURP

IT'S TOO MUCH BOTHER WITH THE OTHERS THERE IF I GO UP TO HER ROOM TO GET HER AND STUFF.

I'M GONNA MEET KIMURA OUT IN THE COURT-YARD.

TAP

OH?

WELL, I'M GONNA HAND OVER THAT CROW TO HER -

SO, WHAT BUSINESS DO YOU HAVE WITH KIMURA?

TAP...

HAVING BREAKFAST OUT HERE? YOU'RE NOT GOING TO THE RESTAURANT?

OH... YUKA...

!

JOLT

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GOOD MORNING, HARUHIKO-KUN.

CHUCKLE

OH... YEAH. THE WEATHER'S NICE...

AND I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A CHANGE OF PACE.

YOU'RE RIGHT!

EATING OUTSIDE IS NICE, TOO.

OH!

SHE MAKES ME TEARY-EYED FOR SOME REASON...

OHH...SHE REALLY IS ADORABLE ...

OR RATHER, SHE COMFORTS ME...

OH, BY THE WAY, HARU-HIKO-KUN -

THAT MAN LAST NIGHT - IS HE A FRIEND OF YOURS?

WHAT?

OH, DEAR...

?

IN FACT, I NEVER WANT TO HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH HIM AGAIN.

OH! THAT GUY. UH, NO, HE'S NO FRIEND...

HE'S A PERV

YOU KNOW... THE MAN DRESSED IN BLACK.

THE MAN LAST NIGHT ...?

OH...

HERE YOU GO... YOUR MD PLAYER.

I'LL GIVE IT BACK TO YOU.

HM?

OH -

THAT'S RIGHT. I WAS GOING TO COME BY YOUR ROOM LATER, BUT...

RUMMAGE...

BUT...

I DON'T THINK IT CAN BE FIXED...

UM...I THINK THAT'S PROBABLY GOING TO MALFUNCTION AGAIN.

RUSTLE...

...I THINK IT'S BETTER OFF NOT BEING FIXED.

IT'S PROTECTING YOU.

THAT'S WHY I'D LIKE YOU TO HOLD ON TO IT THE WAY IT IS.

NOT EVEN BY YOU...?

UH, WELL - I DON'T KNOW HOW I CAN PUT IT, BUT...

I KNOW I'M NOT MAKING ANY SENSE, BUT...

IT SOUNDS LIKE AN EXCUSE FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO REPAIR IT...

I'LL KEEP IT WITH ME. I DON'T NEED TO BE ABLE TO LISTEN TO IT...

THANK YOU, HARUHIKO-KUN.

OH NO, IT'S ALL RIGHT -

O...OH, AND THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE, HARUHIKO-KUN...

I KNOW IT'S IMPOSSIBLE, BUT...!!!

I WANT TO HOLD HER - !

OHH...POOR YUKA! IT MUST BE SO ROUGH FOR HER...

AAAA-HHH!!

SQUEEEZE

PANG...

...

EVERY MORNING IN THE LOBBY, I HAVE TO DO A CHECK OF EVERYTHING THE STUDENTS HAVE USED IN THEIR ROOMS...

AND IN YOUR ROOM... UM...

THE TELEVISION...

YOUR ROOM IS BILLED FOR WATCHING SOMETHING ...

OH - IT'S NOT ABOUT THE MONEY, BUT...

...HUH?

MOTOKI... LET ME HIT YOU LATER...

YES MA'AM

BUT YOU'RE... STILL A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, SO...I DON'T THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE.

AND AFTER ALL, IT IS PROHIBITED, LIKE IT SAYS IN THE STUDENT BROCHURE, SO...PLEASE DON'T WATCH ANYMORE, OKAY?

I...I KNOW YOU MUST BE INTERESTED IN SUCH THINGS...

THE UNCENSORED !!

AAAHHH!!

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NNNNO, WAIT, YOU'VE GOT IT ALL WRO-...UH!!

OHHH MY GOD!!

NO, WAIT - YUKA, LET ME EXPLAIN...

KANOU!

TAP TAP

SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING...

KIMURA ...!

GOOD MORNING, MISS KIMURA.

I'M SORRY ABOUT YESTER-DAY.

SMILE

OH...?

TAP

OH...!

...IT WAS NOTHING...

G...

GOOD MORNING...

MS. FUJIKAWA...?

OH - I SEE...YOU TWO HAD PLANS TO MEET.

THEN... I'LL BE ON MY WAY.

HUH?

HUH...

PLEASE KEEP THINGS PROPER, LIKE THE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS YOU ARE... OKAY?

A DATE IS ALL WELL AND GOOD, HARUHIKO-KUN, BUT...

DON'T STAY OUT TOO LATE.

...

HUH?

WELL THEN...

TAKE CARE.

...THINK NOTHING OF KANOU AFTER ALL...?

MS. FUJIKAWA ...DOES SHE REALLY...

HEEEY, HARUHIKO —

ARE YOU OKAY —?

WE WANTED TO INVITE THEM OUT TO -

JUMP!

YIKES!

KCHAK

AND OKADA, TOO.

OH... HEY, IT'S MIYAKE.

OH, GOOD MORNING, MISS♡ ARE THE GUYS IN?

HEEEY, HARUHIKO! MOTOKI! PRETTY LADY! ARE YOU AWAKE?

MUMBLE MUMBLE MUMBLE

DOOOOM...

WH... WHAT'S UP WITH THIS ROOM...?

MMM...YOU MEAN THIS ROOM OF TROUBLED YOUTH...?

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OH! IT'S YOU, MANA -

THUNK

UH, WELL... IT'S A LONG STORY...

OH... REALLY? IS EVERY-THING OKAY?

YEAH.

I'M BACK ...

WAIT A MINUTE!

DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO MEET WITH KANOU...? DONE SO SOON?

O...OH - WAIT, AIKO!

CAN YOU GIVE ME A MINUTE?

REALLY? THEN I'LL JUST GO ON AHEAD.

SEE YA!

I WAS JUST TALKING WITH AKI AND THE OTHERS ABOUT GOING TO BREAKFAST.

YOU'RE COMING TOO, RIGHT?

OH...UM...I'VE GOT A LITTLE SOMETHING I HAVE TO DO...

HUH? W... WHAT IS IT?

C...COULD YOU STAY WITH ME IN THIS ROOM FOR A BIT?

WHAT? WHAT'S WRONG?

SCARED ?

HUH? WHAT'S THAT? A HANDHELD GAME...?

I JUST GOT THIS FROM KANOU IN THE COURT-YARD...

CREAK...

I'M... JUST A LITTLE SCARED.

WHA-... REALLY? WOW, SO YOU CAN MAKE SOME-THING LIKE THIS...?

YOU CAN CONTROL ALL OF HIS POWER WITH THIS.

THE CROW'S IN THERE.

I'LL GIVE THIS TO YOU, KIMURA.

WHAT'S THIS...?

...KANOU GAVE THIS TO YOU?

SO...

ARE YOU... REALLY OKAY...?

IF HE GETS ROWDY, JUST SEAL HIM BACK INSIDE...

TALK WITH HIM IF YOU WANT...

HA HA HA...

?

STAGGER...

ZOU..

OHHH - ...

HUH?! DO YOU MEAN THAT GUY IS...IN THAT THING?!

BUT WHAT'S THIS ABOUT A "CROW"?

U...UH, YOU KNOW - THE GUY YOU SAW YESTERDAY... THE ONE IN BLACK.

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, MANA?

...I DON'T REALLY UNDER-STAND IT ALL, EITHER...

FLASH!

BUT I GUESS WE'LL FIND OUT...

HERE I GO -

CLICK

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HONK

PLUNK PLUNK PLUNK PLUNK PLUNK PLUNK

OE~ ♪

ALO~HA~

I BOUGHT IT♡ FROM NOW ON, IT'S THE UKE!

HOW DO YOU FIGURE...?

WHAT THE-... NOW THE UKELELE?

BY THE WAY, IS HARUHIKO STILL WITH US?

I DON'T THINK IT'S AS HIGH-BROW AS THAT, BUT...

JUST BARELY. HE'S PHILOSO-PHIZING ABOUT SOMETHING OVER THERE.

OH!

YOU CAN FALL IN LOVE WITH ME IF YOU WANT, MISS ♡

YOU'RE PRETTY MULTI-TALENTED, AREN'T YOU?

DON'T PUSH IT.

URK...

MOTOKI SURE IS ENERGETIC.

OHHH, FROM FRANCE? BONJOOR!! SHILL BOO PLAY?

BUT HE'S IN EVEN HIGHER SPIRITS THAN USUAL...DID HE HIT HIS HEAD OR SOMETHING?

YEAH, HE'S "MR. HAWAII" RIGHT NOW...

OH, HEY - HELLO, LADIES! ALOHA!

IT'S CRIMINAL!

IT SEEMS THAT YUKA-CHAN STABBED HIM RIGHT THROUGH THE HEART THIS MORNING!

DID SOMETHING HAPPEN TO HARUHIKO ...?

HAHAHAHA!

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...
...

COMPARED TO HIM, HARUHIKO IS - ...

STARE -

ぼ!

...IS HE GONNA BE OKAY?

HUH?

OH, BROTHER -

HERE, HOLD THIS FOR A SEC.

TEE HEE!

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...AND HEEEERE'S YUKA ♡

...

T-DAH!

AND NOW - THE AMAZING "FACE CHANGE" TRICK!

B-R-R-R-R-R-R-R

HUH?!

YOU LOOK SO DOWN... WHAT'S WRONG?

TAP

HERE... THIS IS FOR YOU.

HARUHIKO-KUN.

-SIGH...-

THANKS ...EVEN THOUGH IT'S MY MONEY.

URK ...!

IN YOUR DREAM... YOU WERE REALLY CUTE.

I CAN UNDERSTAND HOW FULCANELLI FELT ABOUT YOU NOW...

WHAT?

HEY... EUKANARIA?

AND AT A GLANCE, TOO...

TCH... DAMN! HE'S STARTING TO BE ABLE TO TELL THE DIFFERENCE ...

HUH?!

CALM DOWN, MISS!

OH, DANG! THAT WAS MY CHANCE TO TAKE HIS BODY!!

GRAB

BE LIKE THAT AGAIN AND GO OUT WITH MEEEE - !!!

AAAAHHHH ~ !!

SNAP!

COME ON, HARUHIKO! WHAT'S ONE LITTLE HEARTBREAK?

LOOK AT ME - WHY, I JUST CAME BACK FROM BEING DUMPED RIGHT NOW! DON'T LET IT GET TO YOU!

BONK

CORPSE

H-H-H EE-EE-E RR-RR-E E-E-E !-!-!

OHHHH, SO SO SO DARK AND DEPRESSING !!

FALLEN SOLDIER?

WHOA.

YOU'RE STRANGE.

NO I'M NOT! HEY, HARUHIKO!

YOU'RE JUST TOO MUCH OF A...WELL, I DON'T WANNA SAY "A COWARD," BUT YOU'RE TOO EASILY DEPRESSED! ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO YUKA-CHAN!

IN THE FIRST PLACE, YOU HAVEN'T EVEN CONFESSED TO HER YET- NOT EVEN ONCE. SO, WHAT ARE YOU ALL DEJECTED FOR?

IT'S TOO EARLY FOR THAT. GET UP!

EASY FOR YOU TO SAY, BUT...

ナナオおおん？

I HATE THAT WE'RE JUST FAMILIAR ENOUGH THAT I'M NOT REQUIRED TO EXPLAIN!!

THERE, THERE, GIVE ME BACK MY ICE CREAM, OK?

"FAMILIAR"

OH, MAN... HE'S CRYING... WHAT A BUZZKILL.

すーん…

GEEEN!

DON'T BE SO PETTY, MAN!

HEE HEE

...SHE THINKS I WAS WITH A GIRL ALL NIGHT...

THEN WATCHED A PORNO ON TV...

THEN OUT ON A DATE THE NEXT MORNING AGAIN...JUST WHAT KIND OF IMPRESSION DO YOU THINK SHE HAS OF ME, MR. MOTOKI?

HMM... WELL, I DO FEEL BADLY ABOUT IT, BUT...

THIS IS A ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME SCHOOL TRIP!

CAN'T YOU DO SOME-THING, MOTOKI?

AFTER ALL, IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU'RE MOSTLY TO BLAME FOR ALL THIS.

THAT SPOILED LITTLE - ...

GYU!

!

GYUU ...

YUKA-CHAN...IS IMPOSSIBLE, SO...

MAYBE YOU COULD PRETEND TO BE HER AND GO ON A DATE WITH HIM...?

BUT HARUHIKO WILL SEE THROUGH THAT RIGHT AWAY!

WHAT IS IT WITH YOU ?!

GYUUU !

GYU!

STAY WITH YUKA! I'M NOT GONNA FEED YOU.

FLAP

FLAP

GYUUU - !

OH...? WHAT'S GOING ON? IT'S NERAGA AGAIN...

GYU -
...

HEY, HARUHIKO -

SHNER

SHNER

SHNER

HE SAYS HE HASN'T SEEN YUKA ALL MORNING.

GYU!

WHAT?

GYUUU -!

GONE?

YUKA... IS...

...WHAT?

NOW SHE WON'T BE TARGETED BY DEMONS ANYMORE... YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT HER.

SHE PROBABLY JUST WENT OUT OR SOMETHING...I RETURNED HER MD PLAYER TO HER, TOO.

GYU?!

YOU MAY HAVE SHRUNK, BUT YOU'RE STILL A DEMON. YOU WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO DETECT YUKA EVEN IF SHE WERE RIGHT NEXT TO YOU...NOT WHEN SHE'S GOT THE SPATIAL DEMON-STONE WITH HER.

NERAGA ...COULD IT BE...

YOU'RE JUST NO LONGER ABLE TO SEE YUKA?

BWAH!

SPIN!

BLAM!

GYUUU!

OH, MAN...

WHAM

YOU *JERK!* CONSIDER YOURSELF LUCKY YOU WERE ABLE TO STAY WITH HER FOR THIS LONG!

...HM? WAIT A MINUTE...

GYUU-

BLAM

BAM

GYU ...

OH...YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT. THEN I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED.

YOU'LL HAVE TO GIVE HER UP.

I CAN'T REMOVE THE DEMON-STONE FROM YUKA'S MD PLAYER JUST FOR YOU, YOU KNOW.

HEH HEH...

I JUST HAD A GREAT IDEA ♡

I'M GONNA NEED YOUR HELP TOO, YOU GUYS.

HEY NOW...DON'T DO ANYTHING TOO FOOLISH.

A WAY TO GET HARUHIKO AND YUKA TOGETHER FOR A DATE...

IF ALL GOES WELL, HE MIGHT EVEN GET TO THE POINT WHERE HE WON'T BE ABLE TO STAND IT ANY LONGER AND JUMP YUKA ♡

WHAT?

HEH...!!

DRAW

HUH...? WHAT DID YOU SAY, MISS?

HEH

HEH

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BUT ONCE I GET FULCANELLI INSIDE HIS BODY, I WON'T LET THEM GO TO WASTE!

SO WHAT'S YOUR PLAN...?

WOW... THAT'S JUST... WOW...

WHAT A WASTE!!

DUSHU!

KRAK

WASTED SEED ...?

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING, OKADA?! IF WE JUST LEAVE HIM TO STEW LIKE THIS...

HARUHIKO WILL ONLY BE SPILLING WASTED SEED FOR HIS ENTIRE LIFE!!

OKAY - I NEED YOU GUYS TO KEEP HARUHIKO OCCUPIED UNTIL EVENING OR NIGHTTIME.

DON'T LET HIM NEAR THE HOTEL. I'LL CALL YOU WHEN I'VE GOT THINGS READY.

KOSHIKO

HUH?

.....
MY CLOTHES ARE GONE
...

WHEW
...

BUT I WONDER WHERE GYU-CHAN HAS GONE OFF TO...?

THAT'S STRANGE... I'M SURE I PUT THEM OUT BEFORE I GOT IN THE BATH...

...OR DID I FORGET...?

OH, DEAR... WHAT SHOULD I DO...?

I DON'T HAVE A SINGLE PIECE OF CLOTHING ...

KNOCK KNOCK

...
...
...

EMPTY

M...MY LUGGAGE ...?

OH... HARU-HIKO-KUN!

UH...UM, JUST A MINUTE - I HAVE TO FIND SOMETHING TO PUT ON...

IT'S ME, HARUHIKO - COULD I JUST TALK TO YOU FOR A SEC, YUKA?

Y... YES?

...
...
...

HUH...?

GYU!

NERAGA IS REALLY UPSET! GO AND GET THE SPATIAL DEMON-STONE BACK OUT. GOT IT?

...IF I DO THAT, YUKA WILL BE IN DANGER AGAIN.

I CAME HERE CUZ EUKANARIA TOLD ME TO, BUT...

SIGH... WHAT'S GOING ON, ANYWAY ...?

CREAK...

OH, YUKA -

SORRY FOR INTRUDING SO SUDDENLY...

H... HARUHIKO-KUN...

KCHH...

WHAT ARE THOSE TWO THINK-ING...?

OH...

JUST COME INSIDE, HARUHIKO-KUN - HURRY!

YANK

WH... WHY ARE YOU DRESSED LIKE THA-

WHOA!

...
...
...

DASH

SLAM

Y...YOU SEE...

Y...YUKA, WHAT HAPPENED TO YOUR CLOTHES ...?

HUH?

WHAT?!

HUH?!

I...I'M SORRY -

I KNOW I'M NOT MAKING ANY SENSE...AND FOR BEING DRESSED LIKE THIS...

...
...
...

I WAS TAKING A BATH...BUT WHEN I CAME OUT, ALL MY CLOTHES WERE GONE.

AND -

THIS BATHING SUIT WAS THE ONLY THING I COULD FIND.

WHAT SHOULD I DO, HARUHIKO-KUN...? DO YOU THINK IT WAS A BREAK-IN...?

SERIOUSLY, WHAT IS THAT DITZ THINKING?!

WHAT IS THAT WOMAN DOING ...?!

OOPS, I'M MADE!

TREMBLE TREMBLE...

TH... THANK YOU.

I'M SO SORRY, HARUHIKO-KUN...

BUT WHY WOULD THEY LEAVE ONLY A SWIM-SUIT...? I DIDN'T EVEN BRING ONE WITH ME...

I WONDER WHO THESE BELONG TO...

I...DON'T THINK IT WAS A BURGLARY OR ANYTHING ...

MY WALLET IS STILL HERE...

YOU THINK SO...?

UH...HERE, YUKA - I'LL LEND YOU MY JACKET.

EVEN GYU-CHAN HAS DISAPPEARED ...I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON TODAY...

OH, YUKA - ABOUT THAT...

JOLT!

GWAH!

UGH...I THINK I'M BEGINNING TO GET IT...

BA-THUMP BA-THUMP

YE... AH...

O... OH, NO...

WHAT IS IT? ARE YOU OKAY?

EUKANARIA'S SCHEME!!

HUH...? WH... WHAT? WHAT'S WRONG, HARUHIKO-KUN?

OHHHH— HHHH...

SHIVER SHIVER

TREMBLE TREMBLE

I DON'T KNOW WHETHER TO SAY HE'S JUST SHY OR SPINELESS ...

WHISPER

WHISPER

BUT HE'S GOT A SURPRISINGLY PRUDISH SIDE, YOU KNOW...

WHISPER

SEE?! NOW EVEN THAT LITTLE BABY CHICKADEE WON'T BE ABLE TO KEEP HIS HANDS OFF!

WHISPER

WOW!

WHOA... THINGS HAVE TAKEN AN EXCITING TURN!

I SWEAR, AFTER ALL THIS IF HARUHIKO STILL DOESN'T DO ANYTHING, I'M GONNA DEMOTE HIM FROM SPINELESS TO JUST PLAIN IMPOTENT!

HMM -

HUH? ISN'T IT BAD IF HE GETS DUMPED?

NO - IF HE GETS SO DEPRESSED THAT HE WANTS TO DIE, THAT'S A CHANCE FOR ME TO TAKE HIS SOUL, TOO.

?

ANYWAY, I HOPE HE'LL GO FOR HER.

WHETHER IT WORKS OUT OR HE GETS DUMPED, EITHER WAY IS FINE BY ME...

OH... REALLY?

THERE'S PROBABLY A HIGHER CHANCE OF THAT SCENARIO.

DECLINES PARTICI-PATION

...

AAAAAHH!!

HARUHIKO-KUN -

UM...DO YOU HURT SOME-WHERE?

-SIGH-

HAA...

UGH...WHY HAS SHE COME UP WITH THIS PLAN ALL OF A SUDDEN...?

WAIT - THAT MEANS SHE'S WATCHING FROM SOMEWHERE. THERE'S NO WAY I'M FALLING FOR THIS!

ヒョイ~!! JUMP!

OH, UH -

S-S-S-SORRY, YOU JUST SURPRISED ME, THAT'S ALL.

ヒョイ JUMP

OH -

OH...I'M SORRY...

L...LET'S GO BUY YOU SOME CLOTHES! OKAY?!

U...UM, HEY, YUKA -

...FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS!!

URGH... THIS IS NOT GOOD...

I CAN'T STAY HERE TOO LONG...

TH... THAT'S TRUE, BUT...

DON'T WORRY ABOUT BEING IN A SWIMSUIT - THERE ARE LOTS OF PEOPLE WALKING AROUND OUTSIDE LIKE THAT.

WHAT...? GO OUT DRESSED LIKE THIS...?!

BESIDES, IT'S ALREADY EVENING - THERE WON'T BE AS MANY PEOPLE OUT AND ABOUT LIKE IN THE DAYTIME. IT'LL BE OKAY.

BLUSH

I'M NOT USED TO... WALKING AROUND IN A BIKINI...

UH...

BUT IT'S SO EMBARRASSING ...

HUH...? BUT HARUHIKO-KUN...

I...IS ANY-THING OKAY?

IF IT IS, I'LL GO GET SOMETHING RIGHT AWAY...

OH...

AHAHA AHAHAHAHA

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SNAP!

O-O-O-OKAY! IT'S OKAY! THEN I'LL GO BY MYSELF!!

HUH? WHAT'S THE MATTER?

U... UH-UH ...

I...I'M OKAY... I'LL COME WITH YOU.

GRAB

W...

WAIT...!

!

I'VE ALWAYS BEEN SO SLOW AND CLUMSY...

I HAVEN'T ACTED LIKE AN AUTHORITY FIGURE AT ALL...

I'M SURE YOU'RE TIRED OF ME ACTING THIS WAY, TOO...

REALLY, I'LL BE RIGHT BACK...

YOU DON'T HAVE TO FORCE YOURSELF IF YOU DON'T WANT TO...OKAY?

...
...
...

I'M ALL RIGHT.

I'LL COME, TOO. I'LL BE FINE.

NO...EVER SINCE WE'VE COME ON THIS TRIP, YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN HELPING ME OUT.

CLASP

LET'S GO, YUKA.

OH -

IT'S BECAUSE I'M... STILL SO UNRELIABLE.

WHAT...?

NO... YOU'RE NOT TO BLAME, YUKA.

...IT'S ALL MY FAULT.

TURN 43

BUT BEFORE THAT...

...KEEP YOUR PRANKS DOWN TO A MINIMUM, BAKANARIA!!

SCREECH!

WHAT DID YOU SAY - ??!!

AAHHH! MISS, CALM DOWN!!

COME ON - NOW TO GET AWAY!

AH, I FEEL A LITTLE BETTER NOW!

DASH

WHAT ?

WHAT ?

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FOR YOU

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WAIT HERE FOR ME...

I'LL BUY SOMETHING AND GET CHANGED RIGHT AWAY...

Y...YEAH, OKAY.

-SIGH-

...

AT FIRST, I WAS MAD AT THE RECKLESS PRANK SHE PULLED, BUT...

...LITTLE MISS ELIKANARIA MAY HAVE ACTUALLY DONE A GOOD JOB FOR ONCE!

AH...! BUT STILL -

WHAT A DIFFERENCE ...!

HEH...

I HONESTLY DIDN'T THINK I'D BE ABLE TO SEE YUKA IN A BATHING SUIT...

YAY!

LET'S PLAY, LET'S PLAY—

ALTHOUGH TECHNICALLY, SHE'S IDENTICAL TO ELIKANARIA ON THE OUTSIDE...

...FROM AN OUTSIDER'S PERSPECTIVE, I'LL BET WE LOOKED LIKE WE'RE A COUPLE...YOU KNOW, LOVERS... OR SOMETHING... YEAH...I'M SURE WE DID - YAHOO!

YUKA DIDN'T SEEM TO LIKE IT, BUT...

EVEN WALKING DOWN THE STREET, EVERYONE STOPS AND STARES AT YUKA.

DA-TINK!
ミレキ
DA-TINK!
ミレキ
DA-TINK!
ミレキ

I EVEN GOT TO HOLD HER HAND...I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!

SO TINY AND SOFT...AND THIS IS MY REACTION JUST FROM HER HAND! THERE'S NO TELLING HOW I'LL REACT TO OTHER PARTS OF HER...

WHOA —

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YIPEE! COULD I HAVE MADE THE COME-BACK OF THE CENTURY ?!

きゃっ♥

EEP

HURRAY FOR THE SCHOOL TRIP! HURRAY FOR EXTRACURRICU-LAR STUDIES! THIS IS HOW WE ALL CLIMB ONE RUNG UP THE LADDER OF ADULTHOOD!

TEE HEE HEE HEE HEE!

GAH...! TANIMURA !!

JUMP

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ZZZZZZ

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HUNKERED DOWN AND MUMBLING TO YOURSELF? IT'S CREEPY!

JOLT!

HUH?

KANOU? WHAT ARE YOU DOING THERE?

HUH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

EEK!

N...NO - IT'S NOT TRUE! I HAVEN'T BEEN HOLDING HANDS AND OUT SHOPPING WITH YUKA, REALLY!!

OH NO, I BLURTED IT OUT!! ♡

WHAT FANTASY ARE YOU HAVING? YUKA-CHAN ISN'T EVEN HERE.

YOU WERE OUT PLAYING WITH THE TEACHER, WEREN'T YOU?!

BLANCH...

UH... OH...

N...NOT GOOD - I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND WHY, BUT SHE SEEMS TO HAVE A THING AGAINST YUKA FOR SOME REASON...!!

SQUEAL

OOOH - TRY THIS ONE ON, TOO, NA-CHAN ♡

HUH?

WHAT'S THAT ABOUT KIMURA - ?

ANYWAY, MANA'S GOT NO MORE TIME FOR YOU, SO -

BUT TODAY'S IS NOT A FANTASY...

SOB SOB SOB SOB

I DON'T CARE ABOUT ALL THAT ANYMORE.

Y...YOU! YOU'RE THAT CROW GUY?!!

OH WELL - I GUESS WE CAN JUST PICK STUFF OUT FOR HIM ON OUR OWN.

SKEES

BUT WE HAVEN'T COORDINATED EVERYTHING YET - TRY SOME MORE THINGS ON!

JUBO

SQUEAL

M...

IT'S ALRIGHT. THIS IS FINE.

JUBO

SQUEAL

WHOA!

MM...? OH, IT'S THE FULCANELLI-WANNABE.

HMMM

MM...THEY INVOLVED ME IN SOME DRESS-UP ACTIVITY.

"NAVY"...? WHY ARE YOU SO POPULAR...?

...WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

I GATHER IT'S NOT GOOD TO BE DRESSED LIKE A DEMON.

M...YOU ALWAYS HAVE SO MANY QUESTIONS.

I HAVE A NAME - IT'S NAVY. CALL ME ***NAVY.***

JUST A MINUTE!

WHO'S "NA-CHAN"?! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

WITH A HOTTIE LIKE THIS BY HER SIDE, MANA DOESN'T HAVE ANY NEED FOR YOU ANYMORE.

HUH ...?!

MM ...

I DON'T REALLY GET IT, BUT HE'S GOING TO STAY WITH MANA!

WHAT ...?

HUG

HE'S SOOOOO CUTE ♡

WHAT DO YOU THINK, KANOU? ISN'T NA-CHAN ADORABLE?

♡ ♡

HEY, MANA!

K... KANOU!

K... KIMURA?!

OH...

MM?

HEY! NAVY - ! WHERE DID YOU GO?!

I TOLD YOU TO STAY WITH ME!!

HA HA HA - MANA IS ALREADY MY ENCHANTER.

THAT'S NOT WHAT I'M -

W... WHAT'S UP WITH THIS GUY?!

OH...UM - THAT BLACK OUTFIT MADE HIM LOOK TOO STRANGE, RIGHT? SO WE CAME TO GET HIM SOME REGULAR CLOTHES...

K-K-*KIMURA!* AND YOU'RE OKAY WITH THAT?!

SERIOUSLY?!

OHH...

OH... UMM...

FWEEE!

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I JUST SIGNED MY NAME ON SOME CONTRACT.

IT'S REALLY BEST TO CEMENT THE PACT PHYSICALLY, BUT FOR NOW I JUST GAVE HER SOME OF MY POWER.

OH... R... REALLY ...?

N...NO NO NO!! DON'T GET ANY FUNNY IDEAS!!

D...DON'T TELL ME... KIMURA... YOU...?

A-A-AND... WASN'T THERE SOMETHING ABOUT A "PACT" ...?

OMG ARE YOU A WOMAN NOW?!

SO, KANOU ...

I'M SORRY - WE WERE SUPPOSED TO GO CLIMB THAT MOUNTAIN TODAY, BUT I CAN'T.

OH - THAT'S OKAY... I DON'T MIND.

WHERE DO YOU GET YOUR CONFIDENCE FROM...?

IF YOU TRY ANYTHING ON ME, I'LL KILL YOU.

HEH... HEHEH... HEH HEH HEH

IN TIME, I'M SURE MANA WILL TURN TO ME FOR THAT ANYWAY... THERE'S NO RUSH.

HUFF HUFF

OH! SCOLD ME SOME MORE!

IT'S FINE. I'VE ALREADY MADE UP MY MIND.

I DON'T REALLY UNDERSTAND EVERYTHING YET, BUT...

...ARE YOU REALLY SURE ABOUT THIS, KIMURA?

IT MEANS YOU'LL HAVE TO BE WITH HIM...

...ALL THE TIME.

OH...YEAH... OKAY, IF IT'S SOMETHING I CAN HELP YOU WITH...

TEACH ME, OKAY?

...YOU'RE A... WHATCHAMA-CALLIT - "ENCHANTER" - TOO, RIGHT? KANOU. SO IT'LL BE FINE.

MANA ...

MRGH...!

YEAH! I FEEL SAFE AS LONG AS YOU'RE WITH ME, KANOU!

GEE, THANKS ... BUT -

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "ARE YOU REALLY SURE ABOUT THIS?"

THIS IS ALL HAPPENING BECAUSE YOU LET ME LIVE.

HEY - WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?!

THERE'S NO NEED FOR YOU TO DEPEND ON A WEAKLING LIKE HIM, MANA.

HUH?

I'M NOT MISTAKEN.

THIS MAN IS WEAK. HE WILL SUFFER FOR IT IN FUTURE.

HIS WEAKNESS WAS EXPOSED THE MINUTE HE WAS UNABLE TO KILL ME DURING BATTLE.

!

WAI- ...!

ARE THEY A HUSBAND-WIFE COMEDY SLAPSTICK DUO?

HE'S SUCH AN INGRATE. AFTER ALL, IT'S THANKS TO YOU HE WAS LET OUT IN THE FIRST PLACE!

I'M SO SORRY, KANOU... I'LL SCOLD HIM FOR IT LATER.

TEE HEE!

TREMBLE TREMBLE

UH...THAT'S FINE...BUT YOU SHOULD KEEP THE VIOLENCE TO A MINIMUM...

SHOULD I PUT YOU BACK IN THE BOX AGAIN?!

EEP!

SLAP!

I TOLD YOU TO SHUT UP ALREADY, STUPID CROW!!

OHHH

HUH... STUDY?

I HAVE TO MAKE THAT FLIGHT DEVICE FOR NAVY.

WELL, I'D BETTER GET GOING. I'VE GOT TO STUDY.

OH - YEAH, I'LL BE RIGHT THERE.

YOU'RE GOING SOME-WHERE WITH NA-CHAN, RIGHT?

MANA - LET'S GET BACK SOON.

I STILL DON'T KNOW IF I CAN DO IT, BUT...

NAVY SAYS HE'S GOING TO TAKE ME TO A PLACE WHERE I'LL BE ABLE TO STUDY THINGS LIKE THAT.

I'M GOING TO TRY HARD SO I CAN BE GREAT LIKE YOU AND MAKE LOTS OF THINGS, KANOU!

I SEE ...

...
...

KANOU... UM...

JOLT

ABOUT MS. FUJIKAWA ...

IS IT TRUE YOU LIKE -

HUH?!

DON'T PUSH YOURSELF TOO HARD.

I KNOW I'M STILL... WAY TOO IMMATURE, BUT -

I'M GOING TO TRY HARDER...SO WAIT AND SEE!

TAP

WHAT ...?

CLAK...

OH -

NO, IT'S NOTHING... NEVER MIND.

S...SEE YOU LATER!

COME ON, NAVY! LET'S GO.

MM.

...KIMURA...

STAGGER...

GYU ...

... ...

... UH ...

WHAT DID SHE MEAN BY THAT JUST NOW...?

GYU?!

OH...

YOU CAN'T SEE HER, CAN YOU?

GYUUU-?!

THAT SPATIAL DEMON-STONE SURE HAS A WIDE RANGE...YUKA'S STILL INSIDE THE STORE.

GRAB

GYU?!

WAI-... HOLD ON, YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU WOBBLING AROUND FOR?

OH, YUKA!

YUP...

OH...?

IT'S GYU-CHAN!

SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING, HARUHIKO-KUN.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR YUK-...

OWWWWW! DON'T BITE ME!

AAGH!

GYU

TAP

GYU...

YOU SHOULDN'T BITE...COME HERE - I WAS WORRIED ABOUT YOU.

DID YOU FIND HIM FOR ME, HARUHIKO-KUN?

GYURURU

OH... RIGHT NOW HE'S -

OH...HE LOOKS SAD...

I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED... MAYBE HE DOESN'T LIKE ME ANYMORE ...?

UH...

WHAT SHOULD I DO...?

...I SEE...I GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED, THEN...

WILL YOU SET HIM FREE, HARUHIKO-KUN?

HUH?

I...IS IT REALLY OKAY?

URRRRRRRRR

...STAY WELL, GYU-CHAN.

DON'T EAT ANYTHING FUNNY, NOW...

I CAN'T FORCE HIM TO STAY WITH ME IF HE DOESN'T WANT TO.

I'M A LITTLE DISAPPOINTED SINCE WE BECAME SO FRIENDLY, BUT...

WHAT IS IT? ARE YOU GOING TO FIX IT AFTER ALL?

I'M SORRY - I'LL BE DONE IN A MINUTE.

Y... YUKA!

LEND ME THAT MD PLAYER ONE MORE TIME!

H...HUH? O... OKAY...

BESIDES, I WAS WRONG TO DEPEND ON THIS THING TO PROTECT YUKA IN THE FIRST PLACE...

IT'S MY DUTY TO FIGHT TO PROTECT YUKA - I SHOULD KNOW THAT.

IT'S OKAY TO CHANGE THIS THING'S PROPERTY, ISN'T IT?

CLIK

YUKA IS FOND OF NERAGA.

GYU ...

HAH! Ist

?

OKAY ...

PLINK

HEY, CAN YOU SEE HER NOW, NERAGA?

YUKA'S RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU.

GYU...

OH...?

WH... WHAT'S WRONG? DON'T CRY...

GYU ...!

GYU ...!

EEP!

ACK!

BONK

WHOOSH!

GYUUU!

GYU

GYU -

D...DID YOU DO SOMETHING TO HIM, HARUHIKO-KUN? HE SEEMS TO BE FEELING BETTER ALL OF A SUDDEN.

NO, I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING.

BUT AREN'T YOU GLAD? I DON'T THINK HE WAS ACTING LIKE THAT BECAUSE HE DISLIKED YOU...

HERE YOU GO - YOUR MD PLAYER. THANKS.

NO ONE COULD DISLIKE YOU, YUKA.

Y...YOU THINK SO?

THEN I GUESS WE SHOULD BE HEADING BACK. IF I'M OUT WITH YOU TOO LONG, YOUR GIRL-FRIEND MAY BE ANGRY...

OH... OKAY.

WHAT...? REALLY?

YUKA... THAT'S A MISUNDER-STANDING!

I DON'T HAVE A GIRLFRIEND! I'M NOT POPULAR AT ALL!

AND THE PORNO MOVIE THING IS A MISUNDER-STANDING, TOO!

HARUHIKO-KUN ...?

I'D FOR-GOTTEN ABOUT THAT!

OH, BUT...

...I THINK THERE ARE LOTS OF GIRLS THAT WOULD BE DRAWN TO A CONSIDERATE BOY LIKE YOU.

I THOUGHT IT ONLY NATURAL THAT YOU'D HAVE A GIRLFRIEND...

...

...

B...

BUT YUKA... IT'S YOU THAT I -

...

...

...

IT'S NOT SOMETHING FOR ME TO SAY YET...

NOT YET—

NEVER MIND.

LET'S HEAD BACK.

I'M BACK!

KCHAK

MOTOKI, EUKANARIA - WHAT DO YOU WANNA DO ABOUT DINNER...

OH, MAN...

PING...

WHAT A STRANGE DAY...

WHAT?

YOU MEAN YOU REALLY REMOVED THE SPATIAL DEMON-STONE?

YOUUUUUU!!! WHO ARE YOU CALLING BAKA, JERRRRK?!

EEEEK!! I'D FOR-GOTTEN ABOUT THAT, TOO!!

NOOOO! IT'S THE TYRANT!!

NO NO, MISS - DON'T EAT HIMMMM - !!!

BAGGH AARRH !!

CRAK

CHOMP

WHAP

SNAP

I'LL TAKE CARE OF THEM IF THEY DO.

YOU...? WILL YOU BE ABLE TO, HARUHIKO?

YEAH, I DID.

CLATTER...

ARE YOU SURE THAT WAS WISE? YUKA WILL BE TARGETED BY DEMONS AGAIN.

YOU'RE NOT THAT STRONG.

SHOULDN'T YOU RELY MORE ON THE POWER OF THE DEMON-STONE? YUKA WILL BE SAFER THAT WAY, TOO.

...
...
...

IF YOU STAY LIKE THIS, YOU REALLY WILL NEVER -

GRUMP -

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! AFTER ALL I DID TO SET THINGS UP FOR YOU!

WHY ARE YOU SUCH A COWARD, HARUHIKO?

...HEY, EUKANARIA.

...SAYS A CERTAIN DEMON WHO WAS CHOMPING ON MY HEAD JUST A WHILE AGO.

HMMM!

I DON'T WANT YOU ACTING RECKLESS WITH THAT PRECIOUS BODY OF YOURS.

WHOOSH...

OH, YOU MEAN THAT BEAUTIFUL ONE?

STRONG... YOU MEAN LIKE IN FIGHTING? OR ENCHANT-MENT?

UMM... I GUESS MORE LIKE FIGHTING ...

DO YOU... KNOW ANYBODY WHO'S STRONG?

HUH?

FROM THE FLOW OF THIS CONVERSATION, IT ONLY SOUNDS LIKE IT'S ABOUT WOMEN'S WRESTLING.

HO HO HO

I USED TO BE CALLED *"QUEEN"* AMONG THE DEMONS, YOU KNOW!

HOW'S THAT? DOESN'T THAT SOUND SEXY? ♡

HO HO-

NOT SEXY AT ALL...

ME! ME! ME!

OH! THEN ME - !!

WHA?!

JOLT!

!

WHY, HARUHIKO?

DO YOU WANT TO BE STRONGER?

WHA -

EUKANARIA ...!

HA HA...YOU REALLY ARE SO EARNEST...

IS YUKA REALLY THAT PRECIOUS TO YOU?

UH...

YOU WANT TO PROTECT WHAT'S PRECIOUS.

I'M SURE THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE THINKING.

WHOOSH...

THAT'S NICE... WOMEN LOVE MEN LIKE THAT.

AND...

...A PART OF THE PERSON THAT'S PRECIOUS TO ME IS INSIDE OF YOU...BUT IN YOUR CURRENT STATE, SOMEONE MIGHT TAKE IT FROM YOU.

TAP TAP TAP

HEEEY -

I'M BACK, AI.

TAP...

BECOME STRONG.

I KNOW SOMEONE. FULCANELLI AND I BOTH FOUGHT HIM BEFORE AND WEREN'T ABLE TO DEFEAT HIM.

I DON'T LIKE HIM MUCH, BUT...

OH -

YOU'RE FINALLY BACK, PARACELSUS.

HUH?

HUH? YOU'RE NOT ALL BONES TODAY?

TAP...

WHEW, I'M BEAT.

OH, IT'S YOU.

TEA, GET ME SOME TEA.

ISN'T EUKANARIA WITH YOU?

HOW BORING...

SHE'S SLEEPING. SHE SAID SHE DIDN'T WANT TO COME HERE.

YEAH, A SCHOOL TRIP. WE'LL BE GOING BACK HOME TOMORROW, SO THAT'S NO PROBLEM...

I HAD SOME HOUSE CALLS.

WHAT DO YOU WANT? AREN'T YOU SUPPOSED TO BE ON A TRIP OR SOMETHING?

THANKS FOR THE BOOK, AI-CHAN.

UM... YOU'RE STRONG, RIGHT?

WHAT?

CLUTTER...

THE SAME AS EVER, I SEE... -:CHUCKLE:-

SO WHAT'S UP? WOUNDED SOME-WHERE?

NO... THERE'S A FAVOR I WANTED TO ASK YOU.

...

...

WHAT IS IT? SPIT IT OUT.

CACKLE

WHAT, DID YOU COME HERE TO ARM-WRESTLE ME OR SOMETHING?

FINE WITH ME - I'LL SNAP THAT TWIGGY LITTLE ARM OF YOURS IN TWO.

WILL YOU...

...TRAIN ME?

...
...
...

HUH?

MEAN-
WHILE
-

SNORRRE

HEE HEE

DAMMN...

I'M BEGINNING TO UNDER-STAND HOW HARUHIKO FEELS!

YIKES...I DON'T KNOW IF SHE'S SEXY OR SLOVENLY...

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT ...?

ENCHANTER 5 – END

IDLE CHATTER ½

TO PUT IT SIMPLY, A DEMON JOINS PHYSICALLY WITH THE HUMAN TO DOMINATE THE WILL AND SPIRIT.
THEN WE IMPART THEM SOME OF OUR DEMONIC POWER
THIS "PACT" YOU GUYS SPEAK OF... HOW EXACTLY DOES IT WORK?
LET'S JUST GET THIS CLEAR -
EVEN IF IT GETS A LITTLE RACY, I'M SURE THEY'LL LET YOU GET AWAY WITH A LITTLE BIT...
WHEN THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE OR UNLIKELY — WHEN THEY'RE OF THE SAME SEX, FOR EXAMPLE — A PAPER CONTRACT IS SIGNED.
THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN A DEMON AND AN ENCHANTER IS BASICALLY THAT OF A MASTER AND SLAVE, BUT IN THE MAJORITY OF CASES THEY'RE ALSO LOVERS.
CREATING A BOND BY FORCE USUALLY DOESN'T WORK, SO WE MAKE USE OF THE HUMAN EMOTION CALLED "LOVE."
SLA-...
THERE ARE EVEN SOME PAIRS IN WHICH THE DEMON BECOMES THE SLAVE... BECAUSE THE ENCHANTER IS MORE SKILLED AT THE ACT THAN THE DEMON.
PEOPLE ARE NATURALLY MORE WILLING TO ENTER INTO A PACT WITH SOMEONE THEY'RE FOND OF, SO EVERYTHING WORKS OUT.
WHAT?
IS THAT WHAT HAPPENED WITH FULCANELLI AND EUKANARIA...?
EEK

NANIWA-JIN BATTLE DIARY

CPU/ Pentrum4: 2.8GHz
XE11/ 512MBx2 (1GB)
HDD/ 120GBx2
OS/ Windows XP (Home)

I DO ALL MY COLOR ILLUSTRATIONS ON THE PC.

GRIND GRIND

TAKO

BUT THE TABLET USES A SERIAL PORT CONNECTION ...

I DRAW THE OUTLINES ON PAPER.

SCAN IT

THEN APPLY COLOR ON THE COMPUTER.

THAT'S THE SETUP.

ON THE SCREEN, THE DRAWING I WORK ON IS ABOUT THE SIZE OF A POSTCARD.

BECAUSE OF THIS, THERE IS A HUGE GAP BETWEEN THE "ACTUAL SIZE" AND THE "COMPUTER SCREEN SIZE" OF THE DRAWING.

TAKO

WAAAHH! IT WAS JUST A TINY FLASH OF PANTIES ON THE SCREEN, BUT...?!

HERE YA GO - AN ENLARGED POSTER.

SO IMAGINE THE SHOCK OF SEEING A FURTHER ENLARGE-MENT OF THE SAME DRAWING!

FULL-ON CROTCH-SHOT?!

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MANAGING Ed.

TAKO

I RECEIVED A EUKANARIA FIGURE.

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WHOAAAA-! COOL-!

ABOUT 17~18 CM TALL

GWAAH! EROTIC!!

THOSE THIGHS! YOU CAN ALMOST FEEL THE SOFTNESS!!

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THE LOW ANGLE IS WAY TOO SEXY!

W...WAS EUKANARIA'S COSTUME AND BODY THIS SEXY...?!

IT MAKES ME WANT TO STICK MY FINGER IN BETWEEN THERE...

HER PANTIES ARE PROPERLY PAINTED PINK, TOO!

NO NEED FOR A LOW ANGLE!!

H...HER BUTT IS SHOWING... EVEN FROM A NORMAL ANGLE.

ASSISTANT

WAHAHA

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I CAN'T UNDERSTAND ANY GUY WHO DOESN'T TRY ANYTHING ON A GIRL WITH A BODY LIKE THAT!!

I DIDN'T REALIZE IT BECAUSE I'VE ONLY EVER DRAWN HER IN TWO DIMENSIONS. 3D FIGURES ARE REALLY SOMETHING!!

TAKO

AH, SOMETHING EROTIC-CUTE, DONE ONLY WITH SOUND, WOULD BE NICE.

WE'LL BE MAKING A DRAMA CD. WE'LL NEED TO MAKE A LOT OF DECISIONS, SO - PLEASE GIVE US ANY REQUESTS YOU MAY HAVE.

MANAGING EDITOR

SOUNDS LIKE PWEEN OR SPLOOSH OR WHOOSH —

TAKO

I HAVE AN ACQUAINTANCE WHO'S AN ACTOR - SHOULD I ASK HIM?

LIKE WRITE A SCRIPT...BUT IF I HAD THE TALENT TO BE ABLE TO EXPRESS MY IDEAS WITH MERE SPEECH I THINK I'D BE IN A DIFFERENT OCCUPATION...

... APPARENTLY MY SUGGESTIONS AREN'T CLEAR ENOUGH SO THEY WANT ME TO BE MORE CONCRETE.

LET'S GET A VOICE SAMPLE FROM HIM.

M-ZAKI-SAN

TAKO

MAYBE IT'LL GIVE ME SOME IDEAS, TOO -

CALLING UP VOICE SAMPLE DATA

CLIK CLIK

WE CAN AT LEAST CHOOSE HARUHIKO AND EUKANARIA'S VOICES... AFTER ALL, THEY'RE THE MAIN CHARACTERS!

HM... I GUESS WE COULD START THERE.

ONE AFTER THE OTHER, THE SIDE CHARACTERS' VOICES ARE DECIDED FIRST...

WHOA! IT'S MANA-CHAN'S VOICE! SO CUTE!

IT'S PERFECT !

OSAKAN ACCENT → GOOD MORN-ING - !

OOH! THIS ONE'S OKADA!

GREAT!

TAKO

WHAT?! LUCKY - !!

BOO BOO

ASSIS-TANT

ASSIS-TANT

TAKO

TO REFRESH MYSELF! I'LL TAKE MY WORK WITH ME!! CUZ I STILL HAVE A DEADLINE!!

I'M GOING TO HAWAII!!

OH -

THEN WHY DON'T WE BE MATURE ABOUT THIS AND -

LIKE STOREFRONTS AND STREET SCENES

THEN COULD YOU GET REFER-ENCES OF THINGS WE NEED TO DRAW?

TAKO

ALL RIGHT - (SELF-FUNDED) REFER-ENCE TRIP!

ALL WORK!! NOTHING BUT WORK!!

... MAKE THIS A BUSINESS TRIP - FOR REFER-ENCE!!

YAAY YAAY

ASSIS-TANT

ASSIS-TANT

TAKO

DIGITAL CAMERA

SPLAT -

SSSSHHH

POUR

IT RAINED THE WHOLE TIME ...

ETERNAL SUMMER ...?

TAKO

NO DIFFERENT THAN BACK IN MY OWN STUDIO

ぶほっ BFFT!

WHEN IT COMES TO MEETING THE MANUSCRIPT-UP DEADLINE, "ENCHANTER" IS ALWAYS DEAD LAST.

I SPOKE WITH THE CHIEF EDITOR

TAKO

SAKE

VICE-ED.

CHIEF ED.

MANA-GING ED.

*MANUSCRIPT-UP DEADLINE — WHEN THE MANGA MANUSCRIPT IS FINISHED AND TURNED IN FOR THE PRINTING PROCESS.

COME TO THINK OF IT, ONE TIME, WHEN I WAS A MANAGING EDITOR OF AN ARTIST, I DISCOVERED THAT I WAS BEING COUNTED AS AN ASSISTANT.

BUT THE BEING SLOW IS MY FAULT ...

THREE. SOME-TIMES FOUR.

HOW MANY ASSIS-TANTS DO YOU HAVE?

I SOMEHOW ALWAYS ENDED UP HELPING WHEN I WENT TO PICK UP THE MANUSCRIPT.

VICE-ED.

CHIEF ED.

WHY YOU -...

OH - IN THAT CASE, FOUR. SOME-TIMES FIVE.

MANAGING ED.

TAKO

AND SCREENTONE, TOO!!

LEFT-OVER LETTERING

MY OTHER ASSISTANT IS QUITE THE PRANKSTER.

I EVEN FOUND SOME STUCK ON THE REFRIGERATOR.

WHAT?! HE DID IT AGAIN - HE STUCK THE LEFT-OVER PHOTO-TYPESET-TING ON THE DESK!!

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WHY INCREASE ?

AT LEAST I'M NOT TOICHI.

WHILE HE WAITS, HE PASTES DOWN THE DIALOG BY "PHOTOTYPE-SETTING" WITH ADHESIVE LET-TERING, BUT...

MANAGING ED.

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WHENEVER THE MANGA MANUSCRIPT IS RUNNING LATE, I AM VISITED BY A SCARY PRESENCE: MY MANAGING EDITOR

...

...SOMETIMES HE'S ALSO MADE TO ASSIST IN OTHER TASKS.

OH, AND FOR THE SCREENTONE, PLEASE FOLLOW THE OTHER ASSISTANTS' DIRECTIONS.

I DON'T HAVE AN EXTRA DESK FOR YOU SO PLEASE USE THAT TABLE.

MANAGING ED.

TEMPORARY ASSISTANT

1980-YEN FOLDING TABLE

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BONUS PAGE!!
HUSTLE, HUSTLE!

AS USUAL, I SKETCH OUT IDEAS FOR THE TITLE PAGE ILLUSTRATION, ONLY TO DECIDE NOT TO USE IT. IN MY HEAD I KNOW, "THIS PICTURE HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE STORY!" BUT I END UP DRAWING STUFF LIKE THIS ANYWAY... WHY? BECAUSE, "I DON'T HAVE A CHANCE TO PUT THEM LOOKING LIKE THIS IN THE MAIN STORY!"
AND SO, HERE IS "SCHOOLGIRL EUKANARIA."
SHE'S APPROXIMATELY 400 YEARS OLD. WOW!